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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: CASC, SF

SUBJECT: SOUTH AFRICAN VISA PROBLEM

1. EMBASSY RECEIVED REPORT FEB 13 THAT RSA POLICE POST AT SANI PASS NOW ALLOWING PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS TO ENTER RSA FOR NO MORE THAN 72 HOURS EVEN THOUGH THEY IN POSSESSION OF ONE-YEAR, MULTIPLE-ENTRY VISAS WITH NO LIMITATION ON LENGTH OF EACH STAY. WE CHECKED WITH OFFICER IN CHARGE RSA BORDER POST AT MASERU BRIDGE WHO IN TURN CHECKED WITH MIN INTERIOR IN PRETORIA. HE CONFIRMED 72 HOUR LIMITATION ALTHOUGH IT NOT CLEAR WHETHER THIS MEANT TO APPLY TO VOLUNTEERS WHO ALREADY HAVE VISAS OR THOSE WHO WILL BE ISSUED THEM HENCEFORTH.

2. REQUEST PRETORIA AND CAPE TOWN ASCERTAIN NATURE OF APPARENT NEW RSA PEACE CORPS VISA POLICY, BEARING IN MIND THAT 72-HOUR LIMITATION NOT ONLY FLIES IN FACE OF RECIPROCITY BUT WILL BE WORSE FOR VOLUNTEER MORALE THAN PREVIOUS LAISSEZ-PASSER SYSTEM.  
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